PREMIUMS AWARDED

At the 21st Annual Jefferson Township Fa Held in Lactede Last Wednesday.

The Jefferson township agricultural society scored another success last Wednesday, when the 21st aunual meeting was held. The conditions were rather disagreeable on account of dust and a high wind, but the crowd came, exhibits were made in every department and all enjoyed themselves. The displays were all good, but not as many entries in the fruit and farm and garden departments as compared with other years. The center of attraction was the horse and mule department and the show there was perhaps the best ever seen here.

The only disappointing feature of the day was the ball game announced between Laclede and Bevier teams The game was arranged and nothing was heard from the Bevier team to the contrary until the morning of the fair, when a card was received canceling the engagement. They were called over the long distance 'phone and finally agreed to come on train 41 if Laciede would advance the fare. Tickets were telegraphed them but not a ball player came and several hundred who had gone to the ball park were disappointed. There is no doubt about the Bevier ball team being the worst lot of "flunks" Laclede ever undertook to deal with.

Following is a list of all awards

CLASS A.

Best draft stallion 3 years old or over, A. M. Walker; draft stallion 2 years old and under 3, C. B. Dagger; draft stallion 1 year old and under 2 A. M. Walker; draft stallion 3 years old or over and 5 of his get, A. M. Walker; draft mare or gelding 3 years old or over, A. M. Walker; draft mare or gelding 1 year old and under 2, J. W. Robinson; draft sucking colt, A. M. Walker; pair draft mares, A. M. Walker; best colt si red by Argentine, first, John Ritchie; second, C. B. Shirey.

Best roadster stallion, any age or breed, R. T. Wallace; all purpose stallion 3 years old and over, Standly & Maddox; all purpose stallion 1 year old and under 2, Roy Hendricks; all purpose mare or gelding 3 years old or over, G. W. Hendricks; all purpose mare or gelding 1 year old and under 2, Geo. W. Hendricks; all purpose sucking colt, M. M. Stuver; single driver in harness, N. Ransom; saddler, G. W. Gilliam; span carriage horses, W. E. Devain; sucking mule, By Lamme; sucking mule sired by Col. Blucher, Geo. Washington or Jumbo, first and second, By. Lamme; sucking colt sired by Alphonso, Jr., first, Fred Hanson; second, Carlos Anderson.

CLASS B.

Best bull, any age or breed, Grant Welsh; milch cow for dairy purposes, A. McGrew, calf under 6 months old, Fred Ormsby; Jersey bull, C. M. Burnett; Jersey cow, Richard Miller; Jersey calf, C. M. Burnett.

CLASS C.

Best boar, black breed, any age, N. B. Cross; Duroc Jersey boar, A. J. Leech.

CLASS D.

Merino buck, R. E. Botts; Merino ewe, R. E. Botts; two Merino lambs, R. E. Botts.

Standly; ducks, J. Toppass. CLARS F.

stalks of corn, Fred Hanson; potatoes, W. R. Barton, druggist.

D. B. Shannon; sweet potatoes, E. H. Couch; beets, Henry Groetaker; squash, John Peer; pumpkin, E. F. Brenner; collection farm and garden products, H. Groetaker; muskmelon, Fred Hanson; watermelon, J. W Riddle; tomatoes, John Peer.

there were 40 entries, and a better lot noon. of corn was never gotten together. F. W. Gould made two entries of yellow corn and got first and second premiums. On white corn John Transburg got first premium and A. M. Walker second.

CLASS G.

Best fall apples, J. W. Wallace: winter apples, T. M. Hogan; plums, Florence Moss; peaches, A. L. Loomis; pears, Miss A. E. Ransom; display of apples, not less than six varieties, T. M. Hogan; cider vinegar, Mrs. L. T. Rowland; sorghum, W. N. Harter.

CLASS H.

Best layer cake, Mrs. Joe Dodd; loaf bread, hop yeast, Mrs. Olive Leech; loaf bread, salt yeast, Mrs. R. A. David; loaf brown bread, Mrs. R. A. David; largest and best display of kitchen products, Miss Etta Welsh. CLASS I.

Best specimen drawn work, Mrs. A. L. Hart; cotton quilt, Pearl Power; quilting on cotton quilt, Mrs. L. B. Standly; slumber robe, Mrs. Algeo; silk quilt, Mrs. D. Carmichael; worsted quilt, Mrs. L. B. Standly; fancy collar, Mrs. Algeo; display fancy needlework, Mrs. Baxter.

CLASS J.

Best Battenburg, Mrs. Baxter; hand sewing, Mrs. Algeo; drawn work Mrs. Williams; child's dress, Mrs. E. Couch; point lace, Mrs. Baxter; doilies, Mrs. Algeo; pin cushion, Mrs. Algeo; work in tatting, Mrs. Algeo; embroidered center-piece, Mrs. Baxter; Battenburg center-piece, Mrs. Williams: sofa pillow, Pearl Power; fancy shirt waist, Mrs. Williams; Hardanyer embroidery, Miss Cora Frakes, Mont. melick embroidery, Mrs. Lomax.

CLASS K.

Best butter, first, Mrs. Cora Row land; second, Mrs. C. M. Burnett.

CLASS L.

Best flower painting, C. E. Jones; work on medallion, J. A. Yount; dis-Monnett.

CLASS M.

Best boy rider under 16 years, Lester Humphrey.

CLASS N.

Handsomest baby, Jerome, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Frakes; foot race, boys under 15, Oral Matsel; foot race, boys under 10, Roscoe Rankin.

A Killing and Suicide at Marceline.

Ben Richardson, a bartender, killed his wife and committed suicide at Marceline last Saturday. Richardson had recently returned from Oklahoma. There had been a family row the night before and Mrs. Richardson was packing her things to leave. Richardson shot her twice. She ran across the yard to a neighbor's, but just as she was reaching the door he fired the third and fatal shot, the ball entering the back and passing entirely through the body. He then went into the house, lay down on the bed, placed the gun to his head and fired. The whole side of his head was shot

Starving to Death.

Because her stomach was so weaken-Best long wool buck, R. E. Botts; ed by useless drugging that she could long wool ewe, U. G. Welsh; two not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters, of St. long wool ewe lambs, U. G. Welsh; Clair St., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless R. E. Botts; buck, any age or breed, drugs that I could not eat, and my Mr. Love will keep all kinds of nerves so wrecked that I could not ground feed, including corn, oats, sleep; and not before I was given up bran and shipstuff, and will sell in any Bitters; with the wonderful result that will also handle the celebrated Cinimprovement began at once, and a cinuati block coal. Mr. Loye will Best red wheat, N. Day; white oats, complete cure followed." Best health give the business careful attention

HERE AND THERE.

Local Items of the Week Oathered For the Busy Blade Readers.

Laclede's high school ball team In P. F. Felt's special corn show nine at Connor's ball park this after-

> The Presbyterian Sunday school has accepted an invitation and will meet with the Christian Sunday school tomorrow at 9:45.

E. T. Maher, republican candidate for county collector, was in Laclede Saturday meeting old friends and making new ones.

There will be preaching at the Baptist church tomorrow morning and evening at the usual hours by Rev. Henry, of Kansas City.

An ice cream and cake social will be held at the home of E. P. Pennoyer on next Friday evening, Oct. 5, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church. All are cordially invited.

E. E. Gould came home Tuesday from spending three weeks at his land office at Horace, Kansas. He reports a heavy immigration and land matters active in that part of the state.

W. O. Warner and family spent Wedaesday with friends in Laclede and attended the fair. Mr. Warner has sold his home place northeast of Meadville and bought a sixty-five acre place a mile and a half due north of Meadville.

Roy O. Bailey, who has been farming near Linneus, loaded a car Monday and moved to Baxter Springs, Kansas. Before leaving Mr. Bailey called and renewed for THE BLADE a year, which he says will serve as a weekly letter from his old home.

THE BLADE received yesterday morning an interesting letter from D. D. Gardner, who left here a few weeks ago for San Francisco, giving an account of his trip and of the conditions he finds in the stricken city which will be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hallam and two little sons returned Sunday from a visit with friends in Anaconda, play painting on china, Mrs. L. T. Montana. They are all looking well, Mrs. Hallam being much improved in health, which is good news to her many friends here. They will reside in Brookfield for the present.

Elmer G. Edwards goes to Kansas City today for final examination by the head physician for the order of roilway trainmen. Mr. Edwards has become totally disabled for railroad service and his one thousand dollar policy in that order is due, he having become disabled while in the train service.

John C. Brown, who is with the Miller-Morse Hardware Store, of Winnipeg, has for the past month been looking over the traveling men's territory in Western Canada and the northwestern part of the United States. While out West he visited Seattle, Portland and San Francisco, via Victoria, B. C.

The noted Chillicothe (Mo.) Normal, Commercial, Shorthand and Telegraphy College opened its seventeenth year with an increased attendance. New students are entering every day. This is a banner year for this great institution. We recommend that those interested write to Allen Moore for a catalog.

Lee Love has leased the Bruns feed mill and took charge last Monday. your patrenage.

Some Evening Reveries.

If there is one thing above another a young man should be ashamed of doing, it is loafing without aim or purpose or profit, on the streets or in will cross bats with the Meadville first stores, day after day, all week. If you have nothing to do, stay at home -a part of the time, at any rate. No young man with any self-respect will content himself with aspiring to no higher reputation than that of a chronic loafer and store box magnate. Nothing will so blunt the higher fac ulties of the mind as inactivity; and no inactivity is so baneful and malevolent in its effect as that voluntary idleness termed loafing.

* * * It is so easy to criticize one's neigh bor who has gone wrong in morals, or made a failure in business, and so hard to give credit for the effect of the influences impelling him to disaster, over which he has no control, that our criticism of others is often very uncharitable. Men often sav how good they would have been, or what they would have been, or what they would have accomplished had they been in the other man's place. They do not stop to ask why the other fellow that was in the other shoes did not succeed. If they did, they would often find that the man who went wrong, or who failed, was entitled to great credit for standing up so bravely under forces and burdens that might easily have overthrown his accusers. Sometimes the man who fails is a greater hero than another who

City in Brief.

Communion services at the M. E. church next Sunday morning.

Joe Ausmus was in Milan on business a couple of days this week.

At the morning services at the M. E. church last Sunday five were reired into membership

Mrs. F. S. Cole, Granby, Mo., has remitted a dollar with a request to send her THE BLADE a year.

Miss Josephene Morgan, deputy for the Royal Neighbors of America, is here working in the interest of that fraternal insurance order.

Mrs. C. C. Bigger, Mrs. F. Pratt and Miss Laura Love are at-Eastern Star at Kansas City.

the Women's Foreign Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Woods next Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wigle are here from Valley Mills, Texas, visiting Mrs. Wigle's mother, Mrs. John Hetrick, and their many Laclede

Through the kindness of Mrs. Jane Dick, THE BLADE has received a basket of fine apples from J. H. Dick's young orchard in the southwest part

The "boy preacher" will be in Laclede over Sunday and will preach at the Christian church Saturday eyening and Sunday morning and evening. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

80-acre farm near Woodland mills to Clarence Goosey at \$55 per acre. Mr. Goosey comes from south of Meadville and will take charge at once. Alexander and family will remove to Indian Territory.

Well Worth Trying.

W. H. Brown, the popular pension to a pension, the best thing to get is Best Plymouth Rocks, Harold to die was I induced to try Electric quantity and deliver promptly. He Dr. Kings New Life Pills." He writes: "They keep my family in splendid health." Quick cure for headache, constipation and Bilious-N. Day; timothy seed, Fred Hanson; tonic on earth. 50c. Guaranteed by and render prompt service and solicits ness. 25c. Guaranteed at W. R. Barton's drug store.

A DASTARDLY ACT.

Geo, Denbo Shot in the Back Wednesday Night While Closing His Restaurant.

Last Wednesday night between eleven and twelve o'clock Geo. Denbo was shot in the back while in the act of turning out the light in the front room of his restaurant. J. B. Moore, of Sumner, is now in the Linneus jail charged with firing the shot.

Moore, "Dock" Dickerson and another fellow, all of Sumner, were in the restaurant when Moore, who was drunk, started a row by abusing Mrs. Denbo. Mr. Denbo ordered him out. When he started to enforce the order Moore was taken hold of by his two companions and forced out onto the sidewalk. Mr. Denbo closed and locked the door and had reached up to turn out the light when a bullet came through the screen and glass door and struck him in the small of the back. He fell to his knees, but soon regained his feet and was taken to his room where the wound was dressed by Dr. F. W. Burke. The bullet has not been removed and up to the time of going to press no bad symptoms had developed and it is thought that he will recover.

Frank Weaver, who happened to be at the restaurant when the trouble took place, says that after the shot was fired, Moore jumped off the sidewalk and ran toward the park, the other two fellows going to the opera house where a dance was being held. An hour later Moore called at the livery barn for his team and was arrested by Marshal Wood and Deputy Ed. Love. He had no revolver when searched. Justice O. F. Libby issued a warrant charging Moore with felonious assault and in default of \$1000 bail he was sent to jail to await the oraliminary bearing which is set for

10 o'clock Saturday. Moore is about 35 years of age and has a family at Sumner.

Presbyterian Church Burned.

The Presbyterian church of Laclede burned last Tuesday. Shortly after noon fire was discovered eating its way along the south side of the roof. Owing to the extreme dryness tending the grand chapter of the the whole roof was soon afire and nothing could be done toward saving There will be a special meeting of the building. Almost the entire contents were saved, including the organ and seats. It was a frame structure built about twenty-five years ago. The loss was partly covered by insurance. The residences of Dr. C. N. Standly, F. R. Power and Joe Mathiasch were in danger, but an active bucket brigade prevented any damage being done outside the church property. The fire is supposed to have originated from a rubbish heap burned in that locality. It is announced that the church will be rebuilt, the new building to be of cement blocks.

"To Cure a Felon"

says Sam. Kendell, of Philipsburg, Kan., "just cover it over with Bucklen's Arnica Salve and the salve will do the rest." Quickest cure for burns, R. J. Alexander this week sold his boils, sores, scalds, wounds, piles Eczema, salt rheum, chapped hands, sore feet and sore eyes. Only 25c at W. R. Barton's drug store. Guaran-

Gentleman or lady with good reference, to travel by rail or with a rig, for a firm of \$250,000.00 capital. Salattorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., says: "Next ary \$1,072.00 per year and expenses; salary paid weekly and expenses advanced. Address, with stamp, Jos. A. ALEXANDER, Laclede, Mo.

> Pure Bred Duroc Male Hogs for Sale. I have some pure bred Duroc male hogs for sale at my farm I mile south A. J. LEECH.